

Introduction of Slide Show.

The Characters in this slide show, are not fictitious, and the situations not imaginary.

The "It" girls are intended to portray actual students and incidents. The names of the It girls therefore have relation to the names of actual Margaret Eaton persons alive or passed on, and not just by co-incidence.

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The slides in our show, have nearly all been produced by my husband Bob, and I have thanked him many times. He has shown no racial discrimination, as the slides are almost entirely in black and white.

The majority of the slides are ^{from pictures} about fifty years old. Most of them were faded, and practically all were out of focus. All odds were against him, so as our film producer he did a fine job for us.

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It is regretted all the slides could not be used. Many were too late to be reproduced, that is, taken and developed, ^{mounted} and then added to the script. Not all years sent in pictures, with the result, that we had to use what we had on hand. Times & places may not be in order.

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The script is by the '25 who won the Rosemary Fennel prize for writing a school song, which nobody remembers - not even herself. This appropriate prize was an inkwell, and a feather pen which sat ever so sedately in a container of small lead pellets. You can understand why that was lost in many movings.

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I trust the Stars in our show, will not take offence at anything said during the show. It is a clean show, in fact "Ultra Bright."

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There are 200 slides, no musical tapes, so ask for your rapt attention - and silence when needed, as I am avoiding a return of recent laryngitis.

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You will recognize the last words of our commentary, and ask that you join in singing the words softly.

- Now lets get on with the job -

On your mark -

Get set -

Go.....

"To Strive for the Good and the Beautiful."

Slide Show of the

Class of 1925 50th Anniversary.

June 14, 1975

by

Bess and Bob Barron.

"To Strive for the Good and The Beautiful"

1. Many will recognize our Slide Show title as the early Motto of the Margaret Eaton School of Literature & Expr. "To strive for the Good and the Beautiful".
2. This was a great effort for some of us in our tender Years.
3. And grew steadily worse as an adult.
4. We'll tell you the whole Story - and nothing but the Truth.
5. Once upon a time, there was a Merchant Prince from Ballymeena ^{Ireland} who became most successful when he opened a store on Yonge St.
6. In later years, he wished to fulfill his wife's greatest desire for a school of culture - & keep her busy as well!!
7. The architect designed a Greek Temple buildg which was named after her "The Margaret Eaton School of Literature & Expression. Shiva's opened in 1907.
8. A Greek Motto was then chosen "To Kal Kag a Thon" You're rt.. It meant "To Strive for the Good and the Beautiful".
- ✓ 9. The 1st Principal was "Emma Scott Raft Naismith. ^{commonly called Auntie Em} She introduced quotations for Roll Call, & wore dramatic gowns of handpainted velvet of Grecian design.
- ✓ 10. Auntie Emm's office was spacious, & called the "Studio", where the Arts, Drama, Music, and Dancing provided lots of room for Expression and dripped with culture.
11. ^{Browning was a favorite with her and} Plays, - Shakespear in particular, were presented in this main auditorium, where the "so called Physicals" also had traing classes to prepare them to become gym teachers.
12. The swimming was held elsewhere, - at a "Y" or Willard Hall.
13. A son of the ~~great~~ ^{father's} merchant, Sir John Eaton continued his great interest in the School.
14. And was ^{carried on} continued by his widow Lady Eaton, thruout her ^{life time} life.
15. It was also upheld by her cousin, Mr R. Y. Eaton
16. The Eaton family joined in the traditions of the school as one wrote in a recent letter: "In about 1919, I sang Xmas

Carols, accompanied by my sister, & brothers, clad in a white nightdress, and precariously carrying a lighted candel. We processed up the aisle in the great hall, anxiously watched by Mother and Dad, who had rehearsed us at home like a Sergeant Major". This fills the description. (Mary Eaton Jr. Colonel of Can Women Army World War II

17. The School was relocated ⁴¹⁵ on Yonge St, and followed later by further interest from a young President, John David Eaton.

18 The first head of the school, as it dropped the "Literature and Expression was Mary G. Hamilton - in 1926.

19. Students became lifelong friends as they worked together.

20. Maydays and Morris Dancing were popular. ^{held at Ardwood Lady Eaton's home}

21. Miss Langtree, an English teacher taught formal evrything!

22. She always carried a shrill whistle.

23 Her white Scottie dog ^{Simon} ate everything, shoes, and even the legs of her desk as she gave out notes on Remedial gymnts. (Corrective exercise to correct back curvatures and feet etc

24. Her Hat was worn to every outdoor class & occasions.

25. The track meets were also very formal.

26. The races keen... especially this three legged one.

27. There were human wheelbarrows.

28. The Javelon toss is easily managed by Dot Black.

29. ^{in archery -} Happy Meyers could draw on ^{bow} 60 pounds whout any effort.

30. And for all occasions - the high white running shoes.

31. We seemed to run until we were exhausted.

32. The tunics always looked well, and especially on Gwen Green, Vera Williams, ^{Ruby}... unknown & Madeline Race.

33. How we loved our Ping-pong pictures. This one shows Madeline Race. ^{(Table Tennis} Her early death was regretted.

34. This star to be was ^{for} Carmelle Doherty I think.

35. Here an unknown takes a break. Could be ^{for} Ray Aitcher

36. Picnics included Baseball - out at Silverthornes.

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37. A breather between Innings.
38. Major Hughes thinks it over.
Her long career ended a short time before her passing.
39. A ^{glamorous} peach tree on the Silvertorn Farm.
40. Another outdoor spree shows plenty of action.
41. It always was a topsy turvy world. Maybe it's Yoga.
42. Dundonald Residents on the "Roof".
43. Another shot of those pressed tunics. ^{4" above knees} ~~when kneeling~~
44. The stockings were supposed to be the same - & not silk. H
45. Tunics were the "Mini skirts of 1925". Real Flappers!
46. Roof Top Drama. The It Girl and The Shiek. ^{Clara Bow} ^{Valentino} (movie Actors)
Remember when we had to hide that ^{book} thriller under the pillow.
47. Sometimes we had "House Parties." in the 20's.
48. And of course we had a chaperone.
49. This party was for our Jrs - class of 1926.
50. And held at the Scarborough Bluffs.
51. We didn't mind missing-steps in those days. ^{for climbing}
52. Especially when food was in the offing.
53. Know anyone here.
54. How about Betty Gilchrist and Kay Mitchell
55. Here they are again.
56. A row on Lake Ontario before pollution set in.
57. You could enjoy the cold clean water.
58. Who said it was cold??
59. "Just give me five minutes more !!"
60. Head first !!
61. It was worth it.
62. Even in that bathing suit, you look good Jessie.
63. Give me time to dry off.

64. What's on your mind Kay??
65. The ultra - Rolled stockings, and a Paul Jones Middie. Blue or Rose Pink
66. Do and Jessie "Dn't you hate to think of Exams?
67. Cheers - they'll soon be over.
68. We can try a little practising.
69. A Jr. and a Sr.
70. Hurrah for us, 25's and 26's.
71. We're all for Picnics too.
72. With lots of food ... calories unheard of.
73. Oh Boy look at the Boy Friends.
74. Some like them tall dark and handsome.
75. While others prefer the "Steady type".
76. Cars on Wasaga Beach - (now stopped)
77. Long skirts for Beach wear.
78. In front of the Capstan Inn. now burned
79. Our shoes fill with sand. It's cold.
80. Flapper's daring knee show. You naughty girls.
81. Weary and ready to go home.
82. The new M&S crest in evidence.
83. Is Agnes pushing or pulling??
84. Ready to go somewhere girls?
85. But can't decide where.
86. Is it a '26 prone fall, with a sag in the middle.
87. She's a cute one - who is she?? Bruce Earl
88. Her new location address - at the school.
- ✓ 89. The lounge was adequate. The M. & S in the daytime and the Eaton Girls Club in the evening.
- ✓ 90. And we still were wearing high white running shoes. Although they never did anything for my ankles !! I. G

91. Andy on the MES Staff, proudly wears her grad pin.
92. And can also be a picture of Fashion.
93. Here she ponders on her job in Japan.
Not knowing her future contained a husband and family.
94. ✓ The height of Fashion for Dot. A long skirted suit,
plus the Swagger stick ^{of bone} to complete the perfect picture.
95. Ruby goes for a long length coat. Sultry isn't she.
96. But her bathing suit is most modest.
97. ✓ Are they knickerbochers or culottes Jean??
98. Must be the Polar Bear Club of 1925.
Bath~~ing~~ suit - open goloshes - buckles flapping,
all set for ~~some~~ snowshoeing. Want to come??
99. We're glad you have a life saving badge -
in case it's plural Pneumonia.
100. It is much safer to be well covered,
but not as much fun!!!
101. Langtree, and all others curtly mentioned this frequently
102. This is how it looked at that time, without benefit
of modern panty hose.
103. How about these 25's showing good form in class work?
104. Shin pads & field hockey went along together.
105. All are practising for the closing gymn display.
106. And have been awarded their badges.
107. Received Certificates - from the English Folk Dce Soc.
108. Held a successfull demonstration of a gymn teachers
capabilities.
109. Put on a Varied Program.
110. ✓ And astounded the Press.
111. We are now ready for the best job offer to be made.
112. ✓ And proudly wear our Graduates ring, still with the
Greek Lamp insignia.

113. Usually graduate photos are grim,
but this is lovely of Jessie.
114. Don't you like Jean's marcelle wave *in her hair*
115. Do married a ~~real~~ Frenchman, and lived in France.
116. Dot is day dreaming again! who was it?
117. Worried about the new job, before even starting.
118. These girls don't know what's ahead of them.
Shall I tell them?
- ✓ 119. Some became Big Chiefs.
- ✓ 120. Others remained Little Chiefs.
121. Some found it hard "To strive for the Good".
122. And many succumbed to the "Beautiful".
123. Resulting in disasters at first.
124. Weddings continued.
Dot amongst the early birds.
125. In all these lovely gowns.
- ✓ 126. Agnes and Rusty were the first newly weds to take off
in a plane from their Muskoka cottage.
127. Their wedding was also an M. E. S. Rednion house party
128. We think Betty Gilchrist and Bev, made a very happy couple
129. Eleanor made a lovely bride, and doesn't Al look like
Ronald Colman? - *movie Actor*
130. Muriel Nelles thinks it over before the plunge.
131. There was someone, ^{who} held back for years.
132. Then went happily down the aisle.
133. Andy had just returned from Japan via the Athenia, to ^{S.S. Sunk World War at}
top her adventures ~~at~~ a Japanese flood ^{earthquake} ~~fixer~~
134. Some grads went to Denmark to study with Niels Bukh.
135. Others chose many jobs with the YWCA.

136. The school had gained a reputation in the Physical Education field.
137. ✓ Charlotte Layton, as secretary from 1926, kept the office running smoothly, & was beloved by the students.
138. ✓ Mary G. Hamilton, felt a Camp was a necessity, for for teaching Camp Methods at first hand.
139. ✓ Her dream became a reality when she secured Camp Tanamakoon, in Algonquin Park.
140. ✓ Students became most familiar with the Algonquin Park Station.
141. They became a closely knit family.
142. And made many new friends.
143. Do you know who this is?
144. On this gal in her breeks.
145. These breeks were generally worn riding, and to ward off mosquitoes.
146. Long thick stockings were a help for the same reason.
147. The water was really COLD in the fall term at camp.
148. But water sports carried on as usual.
149. The student campers were often happily exhausted.
150. Woodcraft was new to the city girls.
- ✓ 151. Tommy Geddes was always ready for a snack, and up early to awaken the campers with her bugle.
- ✓ 152. Trail riding through the deep forest was a joyous experience.
153. We all hated to return to the city.
154. Winter sports were added, when snow permitted.
155. Following Miss Hamilton's retirement, Camp Tanamakoon was purchased by Elizabeth ~~Wardley~~ ^{Wardley} Raymer and her husband.
156. Archery was popular, & this shows a Can Archery Champion of 1927, who happens to be me.



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